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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant : John J. Vrana, et al.
Appl. No. : 10/630,060
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Title : LOCATOR STUD AND METHOD OF ASSEMBLY
Examiner : Katherine W. Mitchell
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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Mail Stop Non-Fee Amendment
Commissioner for Patents
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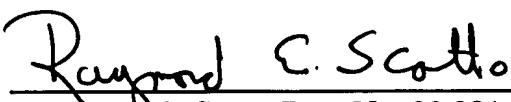
Dear Sir:

In response to the Restriction Requirement mailed June 21, 2004, the Applicant provisionally elects to prosecute the claims of Group I (claims 1-20). The Applicant further respectfully traverses the Restriction Requirement because the method claims of Group II (claims 21-26) are limited to the method of installing the locator stud as defined in claims 1 to 20 and thus no further examination is required.

Although it is believed that no fee is due for the filing of this Response, the Commissioner is authorized to charge our Deposit Account No. 08-2789 for any additional fees or credit the account for any overpayments regarding this Response.

Respectfully submitted,

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I hereby certify that the enclosed **Response to Restriction Requirement** is being deposited with the United States Postal Service as Express Mail, postage prepaid, in an envelope as "Express Mail Post Office to Addressee," Mailing Label No. EV548546448US and addressed to the **Mail Stop Non-Fee Amendment**, Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450 on **August 16, 2004**.

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